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From: Day, Jim [mailto:Jim.Day@ihsmarket.com]
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Subject: Media inquiry re governor's position on gas pipeline

Hi Ford,

I'm writing an article for today's IHS The Energy Daily on FERC's environmental review of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline, and I wanted to run a couple questions by you on Gov. Cooper's position on the pipeline.

First, does the governor have a general view of support or concerns about the project? If so, can you send me any document or link where he articulates his views?

Has the environmental regulator in his administration started any process to conduct the Clean Water Act Section 401 certification of the pipeline's potential impact on water quality? If so, could you or a colleague at DEQ provide any information about the extent of that review?

Similarly, has the governor stated whether he believes he has authority to block or slow a pipeline project by denial of a Section 401 certification (as environmental groups have urged governors to do)?

Thanks for any input on this issue from Gov. Cooper's office. Writing today, deadline 4:30 pm EDT.
Hope to hear from you.

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